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- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.



4. U.S. Patent No. 5,660,722 is an English-language equivalent of EP 0 692 269. U.S. Patent No. 5,882,516 is an English-language equivalent of DE 196 07 162. U.S. Patent No. 5,725,949 is an English-language equivalent of EP 0 732 141. U.S. Patent No. 4,861,485 is an English-language equivalent of FR 2 626 180. U.S. Patent No. 5,919,370 is an English-language equivalent of DE 195 18 624.

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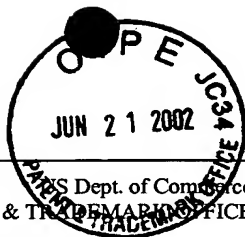
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